The travelling expenses incurred on account of his journey from Trivandrum to London amounted to Rs. 1,224-ch. 0-c. 10.

(*b*) The member is referred to paragraph 14 of the Dewan's opening speech at the last session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly for an indication of the manner in which the matter will be dealt with at the proper time.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: May I know whether the present Director of Industries was confirmed in that appointment after the opening speech of the Dewan at the last session of the Popular Assembly, referred to in the answer?

MR. K. GEORGE: I want notice of that question.

Alwaye-Kizhakampalam Road.

31. THE REV. FR. KURIAKOSE VETTIKKAPALLI: Will the Government be pleased to state, regarding the Alwaye-Kizhakampalam road in Kunnatnad:

(*a*) the total length of the road proposed to be constructed and the estimates sanctioned;

(*b*) the length and width of the portion already constructed;

(*c*) the expenditure already incurred on the same;

(*d*) the reason why it is not budgeted for this year and not taken up for completion;

(*e*) whether the Government propose to reduce the width of the unfinished line and thus make it less useful; and

(*f*) whether the Government are aware that further delay would seriously cause deterioration and damage to the work already done?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) 5 miles. No estimate has been sanctioned.

(*b*) The length of the portion so far completed is 4,230 ft. and the width 24 ft., exclusive of side-drains and side-slopes.

(*c*) Rs. 1,973.

(*d*) The amount required for the improvement of this village road was at first reported to be Rs. 12,000. The estimate, however, amounted to Rs. 25,150; and since the Government thought that this amount was exorbitant, the Chief Engineer has been asked to revise the estimate so as to reduce the cost. This estimate has not yet been received.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No. The portion already made will be maintained.

Ankamali-Manjapra and Kaladi-Manjapra Roads.

32. THE REV. FR. KURIAKOSE VETTIKKAPALLI: With reference to Huzur Endorsement No. 23 of 21/P. W., dated the 15th February, 1921, to the inhabitants of Kidangur, Turur, etc., regarding the Ankamali-Manjapra and Kaladi-Manjapra roads:

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[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

(*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state why the estimate sanctioned for the construction of these roads and provided for in the budget of 1097 was left out in the budget of 1098?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to order the construction of these roads this year by diversion of other available funds?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The sum of Rs. 22,220 estimated for these works about 8 years ago was found to be insufficient. The estimate requires revision, and it is seen that the works will now cost more than Rs. 33,000. Before a revised estimate was prepared, nothing could be done; and hence no provision was made in the budget for 1098.

(*b*) The matter can be considered only after the revised estimate is received.

Puduval Survey and Assignment.

33. MR. K. C. RAJA RAJA VARMA: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the area of *puduval* lands surveyed and assessed for purposes of assignment by the *puduval* parties during the last two years;

(*b*) the area sold out in auction to the bidders and the area assigned to the applicants for *puduval* lands on their applications;

(*c*) the number of auction sales successfully conducted and those which failed for want of bidders;

(*d*) the reasons for the failure of the auction sales; and

(*e*) the expenditure incurred on the survey of the above *puduval* lands?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) to (*e*) The statement* required is laid on the table.

Tamil Teachers in Tamil Schools.

34. MR. T. LAKSHMANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether Tamil teachers in the Tamil schools of the State are required to pass any examination in Tamil and, if so, how many teachers who have not passed such examinations are still in service?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (1) In their Proceedings No. E. 1958, dated the 12th June, 1918, Government have ordered that, as far as possible, persons holding Tamil examination certificates should be appointed as teachers in Tamil scholos and in the Tamil classes of other schools. In view of the dearth of Tamil certificate holders, Government propose to institute a special test in Tamil to recruit a sufficient number of Tamil teachers.

(2) Information in regard to the number of teachers who have not passed any examination in Tamil will be obtained and placed on the table when received.

* *Vide* Appendix II—page 79.

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